## A Healthy Border with Mexico = More Jobs in South Carolina

## **Job Creation and Growth**

## In the United States...

- Trade with Mexico supports 6 million U.S. jobs, or 1 in every 24 workers in the nation depends on U.S.-Mexico trade for their employment.
- Mexico is the **second** largest destination for U.S. exports and **third** largest source of imports.
- A full 40% of U.S. imports from Mexico are made of content produced in the United States.

## In South Carolina, specifically...



- South Carolina's exports to Mexico have grown at an annual average rate of 14.7% over the past two
  decades.
- Since 1992, South Carolina's exports to Mexico have **increased by 1263.5%.** This means that the export growth rate to Mexico is **3.26 times higher** than its export growth rate for the rest of the world.
- Among all countries, Mexico is ranked as the 20th largest market for goods from South Carolina in 2012.
   Mexico accounted for 7.8% of South Carolina's exports worldwide in 2012.

Ensuring adequate resources and infrastructure at our ports of entry means more jobs for Americans